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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The town voted of the annual meeting held March 14th 1905 to raise the following sums, state tax what the law requires less railroad tax.

For county tax what law requires is	2297 67
Town paupers	350
Town officers	1000
Roads and bridges	500
Incidentals	400
Cemeteries	300
Scraping sidewalks	60
Insuring town hall	100
Tax discount	500
Memorial day	50
Interest on trust funds	150
Library trustees	500
School board for schools	3800
School board, books and supplies	300
School board for school treasurer	15
For state highway	1359
Town school dist voted	375
Farwell " "	199 85
Selectmen added	02
	\$12256 54

Estimates for Ensuing Year.

County Tax	\$2297 67
State tax, what the law requires, less railroad tax.	
Town paupers,	350
" officers,	1000
Roads and bridges,	500
Incidentals,	400
Cemeteries,	300
Scraping sidewalks,	60

Insuring town hall,	100
Tax discount,	500
Memorial Day,	50
Interest on trust funds,	150
Library Trustees recommend,	500
School Board, for schools,	3800
“ “ for books and supplies,	300
“ “ for music,	200
“ “ for salary, superintendent,	175

Incidentals

E M Megrath, taking Martha Rowell to County farm	\$2
J W Davidson, cleaning lobby	1 50
J W Davidson, police court cost and taking prisoners to Newport	29 86
F W Hamlin, supplies for lobby	3 45
Lyman Brooks, rebate tax	11 20
E T Blake, school census	5
J W Davidson, repairs town clock	18 05
F H Perry, notifying jurors	4
F H Perry, vital statistics	14 40
O C Young, M D returning births and deaths	11 50
N G Brooks, M D “ “ “	75
A H Kempton, M D “ “ “	25
J E Toye, M D “ “ “	2 75
L Jarvis M D “ “ “	25
H C Sanders, M D “ “ “	50
W F Hazelton, M D “ “ “	25
Fred Chambers, “ “ “	25
Wm Dowling, M D “ “ “	25
Rev E T Blake returning marriages	2 25
J P Richardson “ “	25
W E Patterson “ “	50
Alfred Taylor “ “	25

J C Timson	"	"	25
Rev W A Tuttle	"	"	25
Chas G Hale	"	"	25
C R Bowen	"	"	25
H H Barber	"	"	25
A C Ferrin	"	"	25
Thos F McManus	"	"	25
H W Parker, retainer and services			31
Ira Colby & Son, "	"	"	36 28
F W Huntley, coal for lobby			75
F E Way, care and repairs town clock			20
Helen Hobart est, tax rebate			23 45
G H Stoughton, stationary etc			5 16
E M Megrath, postage and telephone			1 90
E M Megrath, taking S G Smith to County farm			2
L K Thayer, printing			5 25
H C Gibson, sawing wood selectmen room			60
G W Bemis, snow roller			60
E C Eastman, tax book			1 20
L K Thayer, envelopes			2 75
G H Stoughton, copying tax book			7
R R Robertson, Memorial day			50
F B Hall, printing town reports			32 30
G L Richardson, bounty on hedgehogs			2 75
Proctor Academy, tuition Grace Scofield			10
Stevens high school, tuition Maud Butler			12
G G Bowen, wood for selectmen room			6
A L Hall, abstract conveyances			4 50
O C Young, M D, vaccination school children			12
Eben Wright, rebate tax 1904			1 81
John Galway, " "			4 80
O C Young, M D, disenfecting Jaseph house, scarlet fever			5 50
G L Richardson, trucking			2 50
A H Streeter & Co, labor and supplies on water			37 61

W J Tuttle, " " on water trough	8 72
F H Perry, ret vital statistics to Concord from old records	107 20
F H. Perry, postage stamps	1 1
O C Young, brick for water trough	1 30
G H Stoughton, insurance town hall	108
E J Smith, lettering signboard	2
E M Megrath, taking Geo Hayward, to County farm	2
G H Stoughton, automobile signs	7
O C Young M D, vaccination school children	5
L K Thayer, order books	4
Stevens high school, tuition Maud Butler and Emily Hamlin	18
W B T Smith, error tax list	21 60
F W Hamlin, costs police court	28
J W Davidson, " " " and persons to Newport	55 60
E M Megrath, two trips Newport settle county account	8
	\$867 74

County Paupers.

Frank Burbank, support Martha Rowell,	\$57
F W Hamlin, supplies, Mrs. Westergren,	48 46
Estate, R M Colburn, " "	
house rent	22
T P Ahern, Mrs. Westergren, house rent,	33
Mrs L Blodgett, support Alex Billings,	12
Rowell & Stoughton, burial Alex Billings,	15
F W Hamlin, clothing, "	1 15
" " Loveley children	6 70
T Maloney, shoes for Blanchard,	2 75

A L Marden, MD med attendance, Martha Rowell,	7 50
John Bashaw, support John Wright and wife,	24
Perkins Institute, for blind, support Wilbur Dodge,	52 64
	\$282 20

Town Paupers

Paid Geo J Carriel wood for Mrs S G Smith, last year	16
F W Hamlin, supplies for Will Wilson, last year	6 75
Thomas Maloney, shoes for " "	3 90
Jas W Davidson, care tramps	25 55
W E Woodard, care tramps	75
	52 95

Aid to Soldiers

Paid G L Richardson, coal for L Rumrill, last year	3 75
F W Hamlin, supplies " " "	6 17
" " "	65 28
F W Huntley, coal for L Rumrill,	15
C N Bidwell, supplies for L Rumrill	86 47
G L Richardson, coal "	4
	180 67

Sheep Killed by Dogs

Paid D A Eaton	21
Jesse Fisk	6
E R Miler	12
H N Dodge	15
J E Perry	45
Henry Willard	7
	106

Cemeteries

E Chamberlain, teams on hearse	\$34 50
T J McMahon, labor in Hope hill	59 90
“ shingles for hearse house	8 90
“ care Clark lot	7
“ care McIntyre lot	3 50
“ care Metcalf lot	17 50
“ burial acct	3
W J Tuttle “ “	57
“ work in Forest hill	100
“ care Mark lot	2 50
“ “ Gilchrist lot	3
“ “ Dean lot	3
“ “ Bradford lot	3
“ “ Osgood lot	3
“ painting fountain	1 50
J E Perry, care old cemetery	3 75
“ “ “ 1904	2 50
B G Bemis, runners and pole for hearse	43
E J Smith, painting “ “	7
D P Stearns, work on hearse	2
\$365 45	

Support Schools

Paid Treas Town school dist for support schools	\$3800
“ “ “ “ books, supplies	300
“ “ “ “ Swao fund int	11 56
“ “ “ “ literary fund	138 05
“ “ “ “ Supt salary re-	
ceived from state	175
“ “ “ “ repairs and ins	375
“ “ “ “ dog tax	130 50
“ “ “ “ bal supt salary '04	50
Paid Farwell “ “ repairs and ins	199 85
\$5179 96	

Town Officers

Paid Lyman Brooks, as auditor	4
F W Putnam, as auditor	2
Jas W Davidson, as truant officer	12 90
“ “ constable	20
“ “ for police duty	103 50
W B Wood, as election inspector	2
L L Comstock, “ “	2
Hugh H Burns, “ “	2
E T Holden, supervisor and postage	8 08
Harvey E Royce “ “	8
J H Locke, supervisor of postage	8
E C Corbin, special police	5
C H Miller, “ “	5
W C Stowell, special police	5
E F Blake, school board	50
“ “ “ treas	15
C S Hutchins, ballot clerk	2
O C Young M D, board health	15
W A Hunt, “ “	2
F H Perry, town clerk	50
W E Hunt, tax collector	150
W E Butterfield, treasurer	50
W E Hunt, moderator	3
E M Megrath, overseer of poor	50
“ selectman	110
J H Locke, “	110
G H Stoughton, “	110
	904 48

County Tax

Treas Sullivan Co

\$2297 67

Highway Account

Acct of Thos J McMahon, road agent	
T J McMahon, labor	\$26
N F Allen, team work	7
Frank Burbank, labor	3 75
F W Burnett "	7 35
P Whitmore "	1 95
J F Frohack "	3 60
Joe Goewey, team work	4 38
A L Hamlin, labor	6
H B Allen, team work	3 30
Geo White, snowing bridge	1 50
F E Beach, labor	6
G L Richardson, team work	3
Burt Cross, labor and team work	4 95
Joe Goewey, labor	70
W G Keith, breaking roads	1 25
Hilliard E Goodell " "	4 50
C A Willard " "	3 15
W J Bailey, " "	4 25
C H Willard " "	24 65
H J Lane " "	4 40
	\$121 67
Acct of L P Cross, road agent	
L P Cross, labor and team work	\$228 40
" lumber	2
" axe and shovel	1 35
" cement	2
" coupling	20
N F Allen, labor and team work	141 40
lumber	18 47
A H Streeter & Co, coupling	25
L Holden labor	18 25
R Holden "	21 75

A Lane	labor	24 15
C Hemet	"	9 75
C Burbank	"	18 45
Ed Heath	"	12 75
S H Clark	"	1 50
F Reid	"	5 65
Geo White	"	20
T J McMahon	"	14 75
Henry Allen	"	1 25
F Sylvester	"	17 32
Geo Carriel	"	3
E Lindquest	"	7 50
J Caffrey	"	21
A Wilson	"	2 25
A. Wilson, gravel		4 20
Geo Straw,	labor and derrick	42
J G Jewey	" team work	22 80
H G Dean	" " "	23 82
H Jacobs	" " "	14 45
A Whitmore	" " "	2 53
P Whitmore	" " "	2 40
E M Megrath,	team work	18 55
C Bailey,	labor and team work	6 75
A Bigelow,	labor	45
D E Farwell,	lumber	42
M J Whipple,	"	10 50
J E Swift,	" sawing	1
J Bucter,	grayel	11
Mrs Smith,	"	2 15
Geo Preston,	"	60
L Farwell,	"	75
W P Sweeney,	tile	15 60
F S Crossman,	"	76 95
E P Grant,	lantern oil, spikes etc	2 64
W Merrill,	team work	25

W Merrill, repairing fence, posts etc	3 16
Mrs. Hamlin, storage, roller and scraper	4
F Eli, repairs	55

\$882 69

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By cash from A Wilson for lumber	3 24
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879 45

Acct of Lyman B Eaton, road agent	
L B Eaton, labor and team work	379 17
" lumber	50 79
N J Walnum, team work	101 50
A L Eaton, labor and team work	36 70
Jesse Fisk, " "	11 75
W H and J O Fisk, " "	10 24
O J Clark, " "	22 92
D P Stearns, " "	106 05
" repairs old road machine	3 50
B G Bemis, " "	1 50
John Hadlock, " "	18
P Lake, labor	37 95
Ezra Lake, "	49 12
Owen Lake, "	24 05
Olen S Stearns, " and team work	70 87
W J Tuttle, " " "	18 34
Chester Eaton, " " "	1 50
Ed Walker, " " "	1 50
F W Huntley, team work	10 55
C Willard, labor	24 40
Burt Cross, "	13 50
A C Eggleston, "	3
W Strickland, "	6
G L Bond, "	5 25
G H Cumming, team work	3 50
C K Wood, labor	1 05
" lumber	3 20

J L Putnam,	logs	1 50
"	labor	90
J C Fairbrother,	400 loads gravel	40
Geo Parks,	gravel	5

\$1063 30

Acct E W Greenwood,	road agent	
E W Greenwood,	labor and team work	193 45
H M Stearns,	holding scraper and team work	33 55
F A Hodgman,	labor and fence posts	8 53
Geo G Bowen,	lumber	95 49
"	team work	19 50
W D Spencer,	labor and team work	10 80
E G Spencer,	" "	58 45
F W Hastings,	labor	34 87
Geo Wright,	"	73 15
I A Kenison,	"	22 25
C A Kenison,	"	11 33
G A Bruce,	"	75
E Kenison,	"	50
John H Adams,	"	1 75
Geo Wilson	"	1 35
W Blanchard	"	2 70
G H Messer	"	1 05
M L Messer	"	3 30
J Bashaw	"	6 20
F Worrel	"	2 85
M D Collins,	team work	7 95
N B Sherman,	nails and spikes	1 34
Howard Hdw Co,	wire and tile	9 14
W Bashaw,	labor	6
Lewis Pecor,	139 loads gravel	6 95
S F Searle,	30 "	1 50
John Brosnahan,	53 "	5 30

F W Hamlin, tools	6 23
F W Hamlin, tools for highway	3
F W Hamlin, fence wire	1 27
Mrs Melissa Hamlin, use water trough	2
Mrs Melissa Hamlin, storage road machine	2
United Cons Co, bridge for Adams brook	90
E R Perry, use water trough	2
F W Huntley, sanding sidewalks	3
W J Tuttle, " "	2
G L Richardson, " "	2
W J Tuttle, oil and care water (cemetery)	4
O S Stearns, care water trough	1 50
Henry Allen, use water trough	2
H I Dunsmore, turning water	3 75
A H Streeter & Co, labor, supplies, water	17 14
" " "	24 96
	\$160 62

\$2848 48

Town Debts

TRUST FUNDS

Horace Metcalf	\$500
Clara Gilchrist	100
George Mark	70
Aaron Dean	100
Julia Osgood	100
McIntyre and Hull	100
Aaron Clark	200
Dexter Bradford	100
Ashel Porter widow fund	2330
Swan fund for schools	330 33
	\$3930 33

Assets of the Town

Due from County on Pauper account	\$41 89
Town Histories	60
Balance in Treasury	3905 41
	\$4007 30

Ashel Porter Widow Fund

Mrs Martha Anderson,	4 79
M C Burbank,	4 79
Mary Carimody,	4 79
Lizzie Fletcher,	4 79
Hiram Green,	4 79
Bridget Galvin,	4 79
Henry Jones,	4 79
Ann Putman,	4 79
Mary Scott,	4 79
C P Snow,	4 79
Laura J Stearns,	4 79
Bridget Tyter,	4 79
Rebecca M Jones,	4 79
Helen K Cushing,	4 79
Anna Bradley,	4 79
Ursala Cross,	4 79
May E Fisk,	4 79
	\$81 43

Leaving balance of 15 cents in treasury

Census

Value of real estate	\$653625
No of Polls 404	40400
Value of personal property	112815

Toll bridge and mills	29150
Horses, 401	31040
Oxen, 16	895
Cows, 720	19842
Neat stock, 300	5751
Sheep, 675	2137
Hogs, 4	30
Fowls	150
Carriages	3150

\$898985

Respectful'y submitted

E M MEGRATH

J H LOCKE

GEO H STOUGHTON

} Selectmen

of

} Charlestown

Town Treasurer's Report

W E BUTTERFIELD, Treas.

1906

Feb 19

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County tax	2297 67
State "	1372 75
Schools school books, supplies, insurance, superintendent, transportation, etc.	5179 96
Roads and bridges	2848 04
Town officers	904 48
County paupers	282 20
Town "	52 95
Aid to soldiers	180 67
Cemeteries	365 45
Libraries	500
Incidentals	1235 75
Balance in treasury	3905 41
	19125 33

1905

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Balance in treasury	\$1595 77
E Cooley, rent for store	80
Dog licence	253 91
Pool license	10
State license commission	596 28
Bounty on hedgehogs, 1904	8 75
County orders	404 99
Town hall receipts from 1904	40
“ “ “ 1905	224 75
Fines from 1904	42
“ “ 1905	25
Railroad tax	1421 35
Savings bank tax	31 38
Litrary fund	138 05
Proportion schoel fund	175
Town Histories, sold two	10
Burial lots, sold five	25
Justice fees	14
W E Hunt, tax collector	14029 10
	\$19125 33

Town Hall

Paid W J Tuttle, care town hall	\$3 75
B G Bemis, repairing settees	5
F E Way, supplies	1 50
H W Weeden, tuning piano	5 50
C S Hutchins, setting glass	7 25
F W Huntly, coal	11 25
F W Hamlin, supplies	9 45
S A Spooner, repairs	1 50
A H Streeter & Co, repairs	20
E Cooley, supplies	37 58

D Gray, care town hall	62 85
G L Richardson, coal	7 50
“ “ wood	3 25
	\$156 58

SILSBY LIBRARY

Paid Geo S Bond, Treas \$500

SCRAPING SIDEWALKS

Paid E Chamberlain 24

Tax Collector's Report

Tax bills 1905	\$14554 02
Taxes added	8 45
Interest collected	27 08
	\$14589 55
Paid town treasurer	\$14029 10
Discount allowed	545 97
Taxes abated	14 48
	\$14589 55

W E HUNT, Collector

The Silsby Free Public Library

Board of Trustees	
Frank W Hamlin, chairman, term expires	1906
Nathaniel G Brooks, vice chairman term expires	1906
George S Bond, treasurer	“ “ 1907
Walter M Buswell, secretary	“ “ 1907
William P Holcomb	“ “ 1908
Harry W Towner	“ “ 1908

Librarian, ANNA LOUISE WEBBER

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

The meetings of the Board during the past year have been held on the third Wednesday of each month.

Two purchases of books have been made by the Trustees during the past year, and five periodicals have been added to the list in the reading room, making that branch of the library still more valuable and useful. A new wall map of the State of New Hampshire has been placed in the library.

The furnace has been repaired, but will need further repairing another winter. The building has been freshly painted and oiled.

We recommend that the sum of \$500 be raised for the coming year, (1906-7)

FRANK W HAMLIN	} Trustees
NATHANIEL G BROOKS	
GEORGE S BOND	
WALTER M BUSWELL	
WILLIAM P HOLCOMB	
HARRY W TOWNER	

Report of the Treasurer of the Silsby Free Public Library

1905		RECEIPTS	
Mar	9	Balance in treasury	21 92
Apr		Received of librarian, fines	5
	30	Received of town	100
July	29	" "	400
Sept	6	" librarian, fines	10
1906			
Jan	29	" " "	5
			\$541 92

EXPENDITURES

Mar	29	W M Buswell, books	10
	31	" janitor	8 34
Apr	4	Doubleday, Page & Co, Country Life	3
May	1	Henry Gibson janitor	5
		F W Huntley, coal and trucking	5
	20	C L Hutchins, painting	25
		Gorham Subscription Agency	11 20
June	7	Henry Gibson,	5
	19	Library Bureau, charging cards	2
	22	A L Webber, services librarian and cataloguing	37 20
July	1	Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	29	Union Library Association, books	99 17
Aug	1	Henry Gibson, janitor	5
		F W Hamlin, sundry supplies	9 83
Sept	2	F W Huntley, wood and labor	7 75
		A K Spafford, map of N H	1 90
		Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	6	D P Stearns, repairing lawn mower	1
	7	A L Webber, librarian	26
Oct	7	Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	19	F J Barnard & Co, binding	31 11
Nov	4	F W Huntley, freight and carting	58
		Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	9	George Holland, deposit returned	4 82
Dec	1	Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	2	F W Hamlin, sundries	6 95
	4	F W Huntley, coal	7 50
	7	A L Webber, librarian	26
	14	A H Streeter & Co, furnace repairs	29 55
1906			
Jan	1	Harry W Towner, periodicals	10

		F W Huntley, coal	38 50
		Henry Gibson, janitor	5
29		A L Webber, cataloguing	7 20
Feb	2	Henry Gibson, janitor	5
	8	Union Library Association, Books	56 73
			\$516 33
Balance on hand			\$25 59

George S Bond, Treasurer

JOSEPH S HUNT	} Auditors
LOUIS L COMSTOCK	
LYMAN BROOKS	

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The following report for the library year ending Feb. 1, 1906, is respectfully submitted. 7440 books have been loaned, an average of 72 for the 103 library days. 73 new new borrowers cards have been issued making the whole number 1317, 186 volumes have been added, 149 purchased by the book committee, 18 given by the government, 12 by Mrs. Paris, 1 by Mr. Hamlin, 1 by Peace Congress commission, 1 by Union press, 1 by Miss S. M. Nichols, 1 by C. E. Stevens, 2 by Miss Clapp.

The Reading room is supplied with Harper, Scribner, McClure, World's Work, Outing, Outlook, Harper's Weekly, Scientific American, Country Life in America, Success, Munsey, Youth's Companion and the National Magazine.

ANNA LOUISE WEBBER, Librarian.

Auditor's Report

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Town of Charlestown, have examined the foregoing accounts of the Town Treasurer, Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor, Treasurer of the School District, School Board and Silsby Free Library, and find them correct with proper vouchers.

JOSEPH S HUNT	} Auditors
LYMAN BROOKS	
LOUIS L COMSTOCK	

School District of the Town of Charlestown, N. H.

Report of the Treasurer for the year ending Feb 15th, 1906
1905

Feb 15th	Balance in treasury	\$1155 03
	Received for shingles and nails	13 05
Expended by Wm E Butterfield:—		
	For Sup't's salary	\$ 58 34
	“ teaching	456
	“ “ music	54 64
	“ transportation	57
	To janitor service	40 20
	“ N C Dodge	5 15
	“ E Chamberlain	9
	“ W M Densmore	59
	“ D A Eaton	7 75
	“ C H Willard	24
	Incidentals	7 50
	To correct error	4 11
Mar 25	Balance in treasury	385 30
		\$1168 08
		\$1168 08

RECEIPTS

March 25	From W E Butterfield, balance	\$385 39
	Cash	50
	Town appropriation for support of schools	3800
	“ “ insurance	75
	repairs	300
	books	300
	For salary of Superintendent	225
	Dog tax (for 1902)	130 50
	Interest on Swan fund	11 56
	literary fund	138 05
	From the town of Langdon, tuition	6 30
		\$5372 30

EXPENDITURES

Teaching

Annie L Swasey,	28 wks at \$15	\$420	
Harriet H Albee,	10 " 9	90	
" "	18 " 10	180	
Flora M Stoughton,	28 " 9	252	
Elizabeth Callahan,	18 " 9	162	
Effie McQuade	28 " 9	252	
Ruth F Bowman	10 " 8	80	
" "	18 " 9	162	
Marion Reed	10 " 9	90	
Grace Colby	10 " 9	90	
Bessie Heath	10 " 8	80	
Grace Schofield	10 " 6	60	
Valina J Darling	18 " 9	162	
Carrie Huntley	16 " 8	128	
Carrie J Putnam	18 " 6	108	
Grace Colby, substitute		14	
Gratia Way	"	1 90	
			\$2331 90
To F H Foster, treas for Supt's salary			\$277 12
For teaching music			
Alice H Jackson, salary		100	
traveling expenses		29 98	
			129 98
For books and supplies			162 01
(Unsettled bills of about \$100)			
To Geo H Stoughton for insurance			82
For repairs			
To Chas H Hutchins for painting		\$220	
" " for kalsomining		38	
" A G Graham, labor		6 95	
" H B Osgood, labor and shingles		14 20	
" George G Bowen, lumber		13 38	
" C G Dorman, floor dressing		2 50	

"	E C Lake, labor	3 50	
"	A H Streeter, labor	12 91	
"	E T Blake, new steps and team hire	5 95	
			317 39

For Transportation

To	M D Corliss,	135 days at \$1	\$135	
"	W M Densmore,	116 " 1	116	
"	L A Cross,	70 " 1	70	
"	" "	59 " 75c	44 25	
				365 25

For Janitor service

To	W M Densmore,	24 wks at \$1	24	
"	Henry Gibson	28 " 6	168	
"	" "	for extra labor	5	
"	Harold Adams,	two terms	18 50	
"	George Brooks,	"	14 50	
"	Harry Jones		2 75	
"	E C Lake		2 50	
				235 25

For Fuel:

To	Geo J Carriel, for wood	\$12	
"	Geo L Richardson, coal \$139.55,		
	wood \$1.75	141 30	
"	W H and J O Fisk, wood	10	
"	F W Huntley, coal	424 50	
			587 80

Incidentals:

To	E T Blake, postage and record book	2 93	
"	F Bushman, labor	7 25	
"	F W Hamlin, mdse	28 05	
"	F W Huntley, labor	9 15	
"	A H Streeter, labor and material	7 30	
"	L K Thayer, printing	4	

" W M Densmore, money paid for		
labor and supplies	22 13	
" N C Dodge, mdse	2 90	
" Inland Music Co, rent of piano	1 50	
" Mrs Frank Benware, labor	4	
" E T Blake, telephoning and postage	2 75	
" Eliot F Stoughton, labor	2 50	
" H B Osgood, labor	3	
" F Bushman, labor	9 75	
" F P Bailey, Treas labor	4	
" E A Harris, sponges	2 50	
" E T Blake, money paid for work		
and labor,	3 65	117 36
Balance on deposit		766 24
		\$5372 30

Elmer T Blake, Treas

We the undersigned, auditors of the town of Charlestown have examined the foregoing accounts of the school district treasurer and find the accounts correct with proper vouchers.

Signed: JOSEPH S. HUNT	}	Auditors
LYMAN BROOKS		
LOUIS L. COMSTOCK		

Superintendent's Report

The School Board of the School District of the Town of Charlestown.

Gentlemen: In accordance with the Rules and regulations of the School Board I hereby present to you my first report of the condition of the schools, being the second in the series of annual reports by the Superintendent of Schools.

IN GENERAL

My half-year acquaintance with the schools is not sufficient basis for an exhaustive report on every phase of this important and complex subject. Neither is it sufficient ground for recommendation of radical changes, even were such needed.

On assuming my duties last September, I found that faithful and effective work had been done by my predecessor and a high standard reached by him. My effort has been to maintain this standard and to build on his solid foundation rather than make radical changes, thus losing as little as possible by the change in administration.

Certain questions and conditions have to be lived with at least a whole year before a superintendent is prepared to discuss them fully and intelligently. Therefore I shall undertake to briefly discuss only those perennial school problems with which every worker is well acquainted and which need to be kept before our mind constantly, leaving other subjects for further observation.

TEACHERS

Fortunately for the success of school work no change in teachers has been necessary in mid-year thus far.

I have found in town an able and devoted corps of teachers and been met with a cordial co-operation on their part. Such success as may be experienced in the year's work will be owing to the faithful efforts of the teachers. Such a fine spirit of mutual confidence and good will exists between teachers and pupils that it deserves mention. High standards of work and conduct are maintained and at the same time there is the wise management that appeals to the best in children and that is calculated to develop them along lines that make for true manhood and womanhood and therefore for good citizenship.

ATTENDANCE.

One of the greatest obstacles in school work is absenteeism. That some children are sometimes necessarily absent from school goes without saying, but at the same time it is certain that only a small part of the absenteeism, so harmful to every interest of the school, is unavoidable. While the difficulty may arise in some small part from the indifference of some parents, it is, in my opinion, owing almost wholly to the fact that parents fail to realize how seriously even a little absence handicaps the child's progress. Parents desire the welfare of the children, and I believe that this whole serious problem would solve itself, if parents could be made to understand how often it is the case that a pupil loses all interest in school, fails of promotion and becomes disgusted with school and books, wants to give them up and go to work, prefers to do anything to going to school and so his whole future is affected by the loss of a few days at school - a link gone - at important points in his school work. Because of this loss school work cannot be thoroughly done, the subject in

hand cannot be understood and all becomes vague and uninteresting and we cannot wonder that a pupil prefers anything else to school.

The school year has in it 170 days nominally. Of these five are legal holidays and for various causes about five more are lost during the year, leaving but 160 of the 365—less than half the days in the year to be devoted to the work of school. Surely every day of this time is none too much for the accomplishment of the work required to be done.

Though teachers are working constantly to improve attendance, and the law enforced when necessary to compel it, still what is most needed, what would accomplish more than all the school authorities can do, is the hearty and interested co-operation of parents and guardians. It is safe to say that as a rule the pupils whose parents take a right attitude in this matter never make a failure of school work, while those who fail are almost invariably in the absentee list.

I have discussed this topic at some length because I consider it as one of the most important and the most needed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The South Hemlock school presents a somewhat perplexing problem. The small number of pupils does not warrant paying a salary that would secure an experienced teacher and yet the distance to the nearest school is so great that to convey the pupils there might be a questionable measure (unless the number should become much smaller). The school house is comfortable, the attendance of pupils above the average and their progress in their studies is commendable.

In regard to the high school I am in accord with my predecessor in his recommendation that we undertake to do

only the first two years of regular high school work and that those who desire to finish the course do so at some near-by high school. I recommend, however, that only high school work be done by the high school teacher and that the grades be distributed in the other three rooms of the building.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation of the support given me by the School Board, of the cooperation of the teachers and of the courtesy with which I have been met by the people of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M CUMMINGS.

Claremont, N. H., January 31, 1906.

Report of Local Board of Health

Until within a few years the Selectmen of this town have acted in this capacity of Health officers. About ten years ago a physician was appointed as local health officer with two laymen assistants, one at North Charlestown and one at the South part of the town. And ever since there has been on the board one doctor and two laymen, who receive their appointments by the selectmen every year. It is their duty to look after all those things that will be of benefit to the health of the community as well as those things that are a menace to health.

There is a popular opinion in every community, and this is no exception, that to report nuisances and unsightly conditions is to involve one in some trouble. This is an erroneous impression. To report such conditions quietly and without malice when they really exist involves no one in any trouble that the statutes will not support.

The following are some of the transactions of the past year.—A small house containing a large family near Langdon with several members having sore throats, were inspected for suspected diphtheria. No serious illness was present. A pet dog in the village was allowed to die in a neighbor's back yard and was not removed until a complaint was made to the health officer by the neighbor, when we attended to it immediately. A hog owned by a local industry died near the banks of the river and was not buried even after several requests had been made to the local manager to attend to the matter, until a local officer interviewed him,

where it was properly attended to. These and one other case at the north end of the town show how shiftless some people will be and how their shiftlessness can amount to criminal negligence. These incidents are mentioned that others may be moved not to do likewise and are only a few of the various things we have been called upon to look after. One case of scarletina, (scarlet fever) occurred in the village, a severe case, with recovery. There was no other case arising from this one. This case was imported from Manchester, N. H. Many people ask if they are obliged to be quarantined against the minor contagious diseases such as measles and mumps. The following from the New Hampshire Health laws answers the questions—"Maximum penalty for failure to report cases of cholera, small pox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhoid fever and measles or other malignant communicable disease, \$200, six months imprisonment or both."

The quarantine against measles only excludes those who have not had the disease from the premises where they exist, and prevents those having them from going out while they can give the disease.

Tuberculosis—A great deal is being done and intelligently too, to bring about a better state of affairs regarding tuberculosis. A society has been formed called the New Hampshire Society for the Prevention of Consumption, and we herewith give quotation from a circular received from this society today. "Consumption, tuberculosis, is the most prevalent disease in New Hampshire, as it is elsewhere throughout the civilized world. It destroys more lives than any other malady. Its greatest mortality is among persons in the early prime of life. An average of 600 persons die annually from consumption in New Hampshire. It is communicable by the dried dust from what a consumptive expectorates from their lungs and not while the germ is in the moist sputum.

It is a preventable disease and curable in a great majority of cases, taken early, when only a small area of one or both lungs is effected, and arrested in many advanced cases. The treatment today is largely hygeine.

Sewerage—The disposition of sewerage is one of the most annoying to housekeepers here and one about which the health officer receive the most complaints. The cess-pools are an absolute necessity for the modern bath rooms and flush closets and if pumped out before they are in a frightful condition and at the proper time of day they can be gotten along with very well. The old-fashioned closets and sink drains can be kept sanitary if those in whose homes they are will keep the former as they know they ought to be kept and the latter in the summer can be kept from being unsightly and unhealthy by often throwing over the wet places plenty of fresh dirt.

Complaint should be made of any of those places that are not kept as they should be.

The toilet room at the town hall is one of the worst in town if not the worst. The recent article in a local paper referring to its condition was not overdrawn in the least. The officers now serving the town, the selectmen express themselves unanimously as recommending the proper fitting up of this place,—as it can be done at a moderate expense.

The local undertaker is aiding materially in preventing the spread of communicable diseases by disinfecting whenever asked to do so, in connection with his work.

The modern method of disinfection by the use of formaldehyde is very effective, easy to use, safe and not damaging to any ordinary household furnishings. Sickness and disease will always be prevalent in every community but a reasonable use of soap and water, and we hope to have plenty of the latter when the water company gets its plans satisfactorily arranged, will help to make this now beautiful village one of the choicest spots in New England.

O C YOUNG, M D	}	Board of Health
W E HUNT		
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VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1905

Date	Name of Child	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Age of Father	Age of Mother
1905	(If any)											
Jan 11	Elsie Jennette Fisk	Fem'le	Living	6	Dickie G Fisk	May E Pettingill	Charlestown	Farmer	Charlestown	Acworth N H	38	36
23	Geowey	"	"	6	Joseph Geowey	Coraj Lawrence	"	"	Weathersfield	Rock'gh'n Vt	39	29
25	Beulah E Lake	"	"	6	Ezra Z Lake	Etta F Fenno	"	"	Swanton Vt	Hancock Vt	31	25
28	Bertha D Blanchard	Male	"	6	Will Blanchard	Angie F Wilson	"	Laborer	Williston Vt	So Charlestown	31	25
Feb 15	Geo Garfield Putnam	Male	"	4	Henry Blanchard	Mary E Lovely	"	"	Springfield Vt	Winooski Vt	35	34
23	Charlotte Mae Roys	Fem'le	"	4	Charles G Putnam	Cassy Welch	"	"	Lempster N H	Lempster N H	38	24
Apr 1	Stearns	"	"	4	Charles E Roys	Elizabeth Densmore	"	"	Weathersfield	Charlestown	35	20
10	Emma Mae Wilson	"	"	1	Horace M Stearns	Cl'r'bl'le Greenwood	"	Farmer	No Charlestown	"	32	25
16	Royce	"	"	1	George Wilson	Emma Bashaw	"	Laborer	Alstead N H	"	30	26
21	Mildred Blake	"	"	4	Frederick L Royce	Mattie Blodgett	"	Teamster	Charlestown	"	27	24
23	Angolina Pasco	Male	Stillborn	4	Elmer T Blake	Stella M Colcord	"	Clergyman	Glover Vt	Candia N H	41	38
31	Harry James Brown	Male	Living	4	Walter Jones	Jessie McIntosh	"	Laborer	Charlestown	Franklin N H	35	32
June 9	Helen A Roys	Fem'le	"	4	Charles Pascucci	Gloarma Giora	"	Farmer	Italy	Italy	35	25
15	Flurence Blodgett	"	"	4	Byron Brown	Minnie A Batchelder	"	Buttermaker	Colerain Mass	Conway Mass	21	22
July 5	Mary Louise Vinette	"	"	4	Fred H Roys	Grace E Butterfield	"	F'r'n Box Sh'p	Poultney Vt	Poultney Vt	26	21
14	Walter Geo Parker	Male	"	4	Charles Blodgett	Donelda Clement	"	Painter	Springfield Vt	Montreal Que	29	20
14	Lewis Slocum	"	"	4	Horner Vinette	Frances M Amlaw	"	Laborer	Pt Lewis Can	Danem'ra N Y	29	19
14	Strickland	"	"	4	John S Parker	Leona Bolster	"	M'g'r D M Co	Oncida N Y	Windsor Vt	31	22
Aug 12	Kathryn Callahan	Fem'le	Stillborn	4	Wm E Strickland	Lulu Nash	"	Laborer	Charlestown	Richm'nd NH	33	26
26	Blodgett	"	Living	4	Wm C Callahan	Elizabeth M. Davis	"	Merchant	Charlestown	Charlestown	31	31
27	Lillian May Miller	"	"	4	Will Blodgett	Bessie Dale	"	Stone Mason	Italy	Mendon, Vt	35	32
27	Harriet E Royce	"	"	1	Charles Fred Miller	Lillian May Toile	"	Teamster	Lempster N H	B'blows F's Vt	41	39
28	Eleanor F Stearns	"	"	1	Leroy J Royce	Bertha M Scranton	"	Laborer	Charlestown	Newport N H	21	21
Sept 9	Ruth M Hamlin	"	"	6	Olin S Stearns	Esther L Parks	"	Farmer	Charlestown	Unity N H	31	28
16	Alton V Chambers	Male	"	6	A Lloyd Hamlin	Mary I Hutchins	"	Laborer	Charlestown	B'blows F's Vt	37	36
23	Elizabeth Guarino	Fem'le	"	6	Fred Chambers	Minnie M Presby	"	"	Italy	Italy	34	33
Nov 23	Edward Cooper	Male	"	3	Joseph Guarino	Filomend Floredeno	"	"	England	England	39	34
Dec 19	Orin Frank Fisk	"	"	1	Edward Cooper	Jane Fish	"	"	England	England	39	34
23	Gertrude E Cahalane	Fem'le	"	2	Jesse M Fisk	Dessie G Clark	"	Farmer	Charlestown	Alstead N H	26	22
25	Ruth Cecilia Fisk	"	"	2	David V Cahalane	Eliza Harrison	"	Butler	Westm'rel'nd	Ireland	36	26
25	Wilson	Male	"	2	Almer B Wilson	Nellie F White	No	Farmer	Charlestown	Unity N H	32	33
						Carrie H Gay	"	"	Canton N H	No Charlestown	39	35

Deaths Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1905

Date	Name & Surname	Age			Place of	Male or Female	Color	Single, Married, Widowed	Birthplace of	Birthplace of	Name of	Maiden Name of	Disease or Cause of
		Years	Months	Days									
1905	of the Deceased				Birth				Father	Mother	Father	Mother	Death
Jan 24	Geo N Fifield	38	1		Claremont N H	M	"	S	Weathersfield Vt	Charlestown	Eli T Fifield	Fannie A Farnsworth	Poisoning
Feb 1	Lewis A Stearns	45	1		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Septicemia
4	Alvin D Howe	75	4	2	Acworth N H	"	W	"	Marlboro Mass	Acworth N H	Moses Howe	Martha Cuttingham	Epileptic Convulsions
10	Calvin Fairbr'r	62	28		Westminster Vt	"	M	"	"	Swanzy N H	Calvin Fairbr'r	Mary Wilson	Valvular Heart Disease
13	George A Bryant	83	8		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Bronchitis
19	James M Randall	83	3		Springfield Vt	"	W	"	Springfield Vt	Charlestown	Moses Randall	Unknown	Paralysis
Mar 5	Raymond Wilson	10	26		No Charlestown	"	"	"	Canton N Y	Charlestown	Almer B Wilson	Carrie H Gay	Burn of both legs
18	Ray T White	6	1		Springfield Vt	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Convulsions
Apr 1	Augusta A Fuller	65	8		Barton Vt	F	W	"	"	"	Andrew Folsom	Nancy Lovett	Heart Disease
9	Cyrus Blake	75	3	13	Charlestown	M	"	"	Keene N H	Canton Mass	Stephen J. Blake	Mary Morse	Cerebral Degen Neph
10	Al'x'nd'r Billings	75	3		Canada	"	"	"	"	"	Moses Billings	Unknown	Apoplexy
14	Thomas A Dorsey	34	9	22	Mt Holly Vt	"	S	"	Stockport N Y	Florence N Y	Joseph T Dorsey	Hannah Spelliey	Struck by Locomotive
16	Emma M Wilson	16	16		Charlestown	F	"	"	Langdon N H	Charlestown	George Wilson	Emma Bashaw	Convulsions
21	Thomas Looney	"	"		"	M	"	"	"	"	"	"	Spinal Sclerosis
May 3	Sarah A Adams	66	9	18	"	F	W	"	Charlestown	Franklin Vt	Walter Jones	Jesse McInosh	Hydrocephalus
11	Louise Dinsmore	84	19	15	Unity N H	"	"	"	"	"	Edward Brown	Sarah Blanchard	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
18	Ethel Royce	1	2		Charlestown	"	"	"	Charlestown	Charlestown	Ben'jin Putnam	Mattie Blodgett	Apoplexy
June 2	Elizabeth S West	76	8	10	"	"	"	"	"	Boston	Fred Royce	Anna Langley	Inanition
4	Sarah J. Bates	71	28		Springfield Vt	"	"	"	"	"	Isaac Silsby	Hannah Harlow	Heart Disease
13	Bridgett Devine	74	3		"	"	"	"	"	"	John'n Sanderson	"	"
10	Jatrick J Donovan	31	5	30	"	M	"	"	"	"	"	"	Senile Decay
25	John Desmond	79	3		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
28	Catherine Gould	43	3	11	"	F	All	"	"	"	"	"	Cancer of Face
July 4	Henry F Evans	67	2	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	General Paresis
20	M'g'r'et McMahon	76	10		Ireland	F	W	"	Ireland	Ireland	Phillip Manrix	"	Heart Disease
28	Geo B Bradley	59	9	7	"	M	"	"	"	"	"	"	Marasmus
25	James M Martin	64	3		Holden Mass	"	"	"	Richmond N H	Charlestown	James M Martin	Julia A Gould	Suicide from Morphine
Aug 7	Almira B Searle	86	6	16	Hollis N H	F	W	"	Townsend, Mass	Townsend Mass	Sew'll Butterfield	Dolly Boynton	Uremia
12	Bessie D Blodgett	34	6		Mendon Vt	"	M	"	"	"	Henry Davis	Will Blodgett	Valvular Heart Disease
Sep 11	Mary E Holden	63	6		Bellows Falls Vt	"	W	"	Ireland	Ireland	Murphy	Bessie Davis	Premature Birth
19	Nellie F Morris	45	6	19	Charlestown	"	M	"	"	"	James Hartnett	Helen E Larkin	Valvular disease of heart
Oct 4	Edith Royce	5	13		"	"	"	"	Charlestown	Charlestown	Fred L Royce	Mattie Blodgett	Bright's Disease
13	Julia Benware	6	11	20	"	"	"	"	Hartland Vt	Danbury Vt	Peter Benware	Mary Fortune	Inanition
23	McLvin S Putnam	1	"		"	M	"	"	Charlestown	Langdon N H	J. Lyman Putnam	Mary E Smith	Valvular Heart Disease
Nov 5	Richard Rob't's	6	11		Bellows Falls Vt	"	W	"	Newfane Vt	Baltimore N Y	John Robertson	Polly Clendenin	Convulsions
13	Emma Merrifield	44	10		Springfield Vt	F	M	"	"	"	George White	"	Old Age
22	Mary J Sherman	74	9		Rockingham Vt	"	"	"	New Boston N H	"	Jacob McQuaid	Anna Morrison	Paresis
Dec 22	Anna E Hackett	61	4	13	Charlestown	"	S	"	Langdon	"	Charles Hackett	Olive Church	Valvular Dis of Heart
29	Julia E Towl	64	4		Walpole	"	"	"	Ireland	Ireland	Thomas Towl	Julia Murphy	Uremia
29	Ellen L Briggs	74	4	21	Charlestown	"	W	"	"	"	Enoch H West	Lydia Fitch	Apoplexy

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRED H PERRY, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Charlestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1905

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRED H PERRY, Town Clerk.

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